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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3951

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 3951 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by renumbering and
5 changing Section 2-3.157, as added by Public Act 98-301, as
6 follows:

7 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.158)

8 (Section scheduled to be repealed on May 31, 2015)

9 Sec. 2-3.158 ~~2-3.157~~. Task Force on Civic Education.

10 (a) The State Board of Education shall establish the Task
11 Force on Civic Education, to be comprised of all of the
12 following members, with an emphasis on bipartisan legislative
13 representation and diverse non-legislative stakeholder
14 representation:

15 (1) One member appointed by the Speaker of the House of
16 Representatives.

1 (2) One member appointed by the President of the
2 Senate.

3 (3) One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the
4 House of Representatives.

5 (4) One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the
6 Senate.

7 (5) One member appointed by the head of an association
8 representing a teachers union.

9 (6) One member appointed by the head of an association
10 representing the Chicago Teachers Union.

11 (7) One member appointed by the head of an association
12 representing social studies teachers.

13 (8) One member appointed by the head of an association
14 representing school boards.

15 (9) One member appointed by the head of an association
16 representing the media.

17 (10) One member appointed by the head of an association
18 representing the non-profit sector that promotes civic
19 education as a core mission.

20 (11) One member appointed by the head of an association
21 representing the non-profit sector that promotes civic
22 engagement among the general public.

23 (12) One member appointed by the president of an
24 institution of higher education who teaches college or
25 graduate-level government courses or facilitates a program
26 dedicated to cultivating civic leaders.

1 (13) One member appointed by the head of an association
2 representing principals or district superintendents.

3 (b) The members of the Task Force shall serve without
4 compensation but shall be reimbursed for their reasonable and
5 necessary expenses from funds appropriated to the State Board
6 of Education for that purpose. The members of the Task Force
7 shall be reimbursed for their travel expenses from
8 appropriations to the State Board of Education available for
9 that purpose and subject to the rules of the appropriate travel
10 control board.

11 (c) The members of the Task Force shall be considered
12 members with voting rights. A quorum of the Task Force shall
13 consist of a simple majority of the members of the Task Force.
14 All actions and recommendations of the Task Force must be
15 approved by a simple majority vote of the members.

16 (d) The Task Force shall meet initially at the call of the
17 State Superintendent of Education, shall elect one member as
18 chairperson at its initial meeting through a simple majority
19 vote of the Task Force, and shall thereafter meet at the call
20 of the chairperson.

21 (e) The State Board of Education shall provide
22 administrative and other support to the Task Force.

23 (f) The Task Force is charged with all of the following
24 tasks:

25 (1) To analyze the current state of civic education in
26 this State.

1 (2) To analyze current civic education laws in other
2 jurisdictions, both mandated and permissive.

3 (3) To identify best practices in civic education in
4 other jurisdictions.

5 (4) To make recommendations to the General Assembly
6 focused on substantially increasing civic literacy and the
7 capacity of youth to obtain the requisite knowledge,
8 skills, and practices to be civically informed members of
9 the public.

10 (5) To make funding recommendations if the Task Force's
11 recommendations to the General Assembly would require a
12 fiscal commitment.

13 (g) No later than December ~~May~~ 31, 2014, the Task Force
14 shall summarize its findings and recommendations in a report to
15 the General Assembly, filed as provided in Section 3.1 of the
16 General Assembly Organization Act. Upon filing its report, the
17 Task Force is dissolved.

18 (h) This Section is repealed on December ~~May~~ 31, 2015.

19 (Source: P.A. 98-301, eff. 8-9-13; revised 10-4-13.)

20 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
21 becoming law.".